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**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

**Mail Stop: Amendment**  
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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated September 17, 2004, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this document.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: